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MANHASSET BAY

Town of North Hempstead, Nassau County, New York

FACT SHEET

DESCRIPTION: The aquatic ecosystem of the study area has experienced degradation as a result of increased urbanization of the surrounding upland areas. The primary contributors to the loss of aquatic and wetland habitats are filling and bulkheading activities on property adjacent to the bay, increased sediment loading, and nutrient and contaminant runoff from the upland areas into the tributaries of the bay. These impacts are reflected in the apparent degraded nature of the remaining habitats in and surrounding the bay. The proposed project consists of several separate features intended to restore specific areas of degradation, including creation of low tidal marsh habitat and restoration of storage capacity by removing excess deposited sediment in ponds.

AUTHORIZATION: Section 206 of WRDA 1996 [33 U.S.C. 2330].

STATUS: An environmental restoration feasibility study is underway and is scheduled to be completed in Fiscal Year 2005. The subsequent steps would call for the preparation of plans and specifications prior to project implementation.

STUDY COST: \$708,000

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